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to do this additional services, what did you have to do? You had to create a separate subdivision. Not so, not so for us because of our public power system. Senator Bromm's bill, what it does is basically take the incentive out. It does, Senator Beutler, it takes the incentive completely out for people to have dark fiber. Mission accomplished. Mission accomplished. Now the fund...I think Senator Landis raises some legitimate issues about where do we spend the money? And so does Senator Beutler. If we want to have discussion about where we're going to send this money, that is a discussion for another day. Do we take it out of the Universal Service Fund? I'm not crazy about doing that. If it's a small amount, maybe. But I don't think there's going to be a lot of money, quite frankly, in here because there's no incentive to go and sell this fiber. There will be no money in that fund unless you interject General Fund money or you find some other money to put into it. It's a And we've had a good discussion but the... I think the last few speeches have started to bring out where this bill is really at. If you allow these people to continue to go on and have this opportunity to overbill dark fiber, what happens? Will your local telephone company go all the way out to Senator Stuhr's house and invest new lines there? Of course not. It doesn't pay any money. The only way they can afford to do that is if they do everyone. But if you've cherry-picked, and that's what LES says in their hearings, they were after the bigger customers, they ones that they could make money on. They're not interested in the little ones, not at all. They want to cherry-pick. They want the better-paying customers, and who pays?

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: It's the little guy that pays, because sooner or later they'll drive out everybody's incentive to go invest in the rural areas. We've got to pay careful attention to this. Let the areas that know what they're doing do it. If you're going to let the power companies and the cities into this highly-competitive and ever-changing world, they're never going to keep up, and they're going to buy themselves dinosaurs. And whose money are they going to use? The ratepayers money and your property tax money or your city sales tax money. Will you